

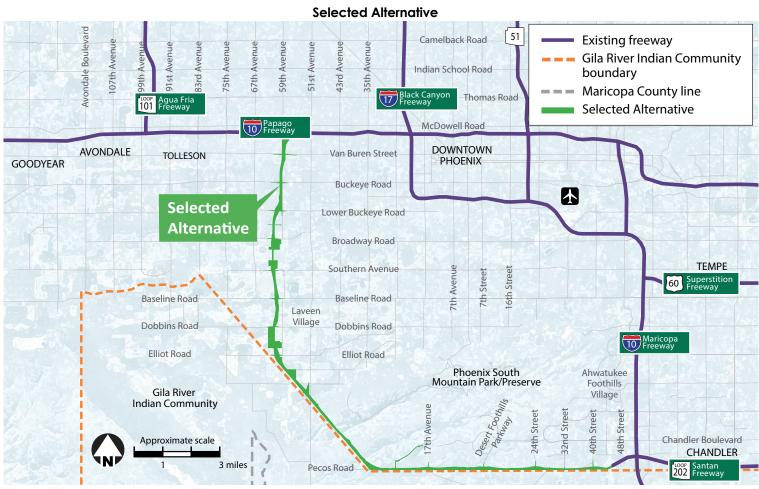
Fact Sheet Record of Decision

Background

The Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway has been a critical part of the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Freeway and Highway Program since it was first included in funding approved by Maricopa County voters in 1985. The freeway was also part of the Regional Transportation Plan funding passed by Maricopa County voters in 2004 through Proposition 400. The freeway is a key component of the region's adopted multimodal transportation plan and the Regional Freeway and Highway System and is the last piece to complete the Loop 202 system.

Current status

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released the final decision-making document for the project, the Record of Decision ("ROD"), in March 2015. The FHWA, in coordination with ADOT, identified the preferred alternative in the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements as the Selected Alternative in the ROD (see map below).



The selected route for this freeway corridor runs east and west along Pecos Road and then north and south between 55th and 63rd avenues, connecting with Interstate 10 on each end.



ADDT & 18.5. Department of Tomportation
Administration



ADOT TRACS No.: 202L MA 054 H5764 01L

Federal-aid Project No.: NH-202-D(ADY)



Property Acquisition

To prepare for construction, ADOT has been contacting property owners whose properties will be impacted by freeway construction and is beginning the process to acquire properties within the freeway corridor. ADOT's property acquisition program includes working as early as possible with property owners and providing benefits to the extent allowed by law to cover actual, reasonable moving costs and related expenses. ADOT will pay market value for businesses and residential properties.

Construction

ADOT is moving forward with the right-of-way acquisition process and procurement of design and construction services. The South Mountain Freeway will be procured as a single project using a Public-Private-Partnership (P3) approach. Specifically, a design-build-maintain delivery mechanism will be used and will contain no private financing or tolling option. The contractor ultimately selected to design, acquire right-of-way, relocate utilities, and construct the freeway will also be responsible for maintaining the freeway for 30 years. The current schedule includes the selection of the contractor around the end of 2015, construction activities beginning in early 2016, and the freeway open to traffic late 2019 to early 2020.



Funding

The current Regional Freeway and Highway Program identifies construction funding for the freeway beginning in fiscal year 2015, using state, federal and local dollars. The total program amount for constructing the freeway is \$1.9 billion.

In accordance with the ADA of 1990, auxiliary aids/services may be provided upon request by a person with a disability by contacting the ADOT Civil Rights Office by emailing **projects@azdot.gov** or by calling **855.712.8530**. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow for appropriate accommodations.

Personas que requieren asistencia o una adaptación razonable por habilidad limitada en inglés o discapacidad deben ponerse en contacto con **projects@azdot.gov** o llamada al **855.712.8530.** Las solicitudes deben hacerse tan pronto como sea possible para asegurar que el estado tiene la oportunidad de abordar el alojamiento.

